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REED PASSES AWAY.

The Ex-Speaker of the House Succumbs to Uraemia.

A SHORT SKETCH OF HIS CAREER.

The Remains of Mr. Reed Put Aboard a Train Leaving for Portland, Me., Where They Will Be Interred To-Morrow.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Thomas Brackett Reed, former speaker of the house of representatives and for many years prominent in public life, died here Saturday night at 12:10 o'clock in his apartments in the Arlington. The immediate cause of death was uraemia. A change for the worse was noticed in Mr. Reed's condition early in the morning. At 9:30 o'clock he was given a subcutaneous saline transfusion in order to stimulate his kidneys, which were failing to perform their proper functions. At five o'clock in the afternoon saline solution was again administered, about three quarts of the fluid being used. The heart became weaker and weaker, but the patient retained consciousness until 11 o'clock at night, when a complete coma came on.

At the bedside when he died were Mrs. Reed and Miss Katharine Reed, Mrs. Gardner, MacDonald, Bishop and Goodnow and the nurses. Mr. Reed's mind was in such a state during the day that he did not realize the seriousness of his condition. He was cheerful and conversed with those about his bedside. When it became apparent that he would not survive his illness the wife and daughter were notified and they remained constantly at the bedside until the distinguished patient breathed his last. With only a faint hope of saving his life oxygen was administered throughout the day. It was stated that Mr. Reed had been suffering from Bright's disease for some time, which reached the acute stage Saturday. Mr. Reed passed away peacefully and without pain.

Mr. Reed reached Washington yesterday week, having come to attend to some matters in the United States supreme court.

The remains of Mr. Reed left here yesterday afternoon for Portland, Me., his former home, where the interment will take place to-morrow afternoon. They were placed aboard a special train, leaving Washington at 4:50 o'clock and running as the second section of the Federal express, scheduled to arrive at Portland today. Accompanying the body were Mrs. Reed, the widow; Miss Catherine Reed, the former speaker's daughter; Hon. Amos L. Allen, Mr. Reed's suc-

cessor in the house of representatives; Mr. Asher C. Hinds, Mr. Reed's parliamentary clerk while speaker, and Mr. Augustus G. Payne, of New York, a life-long friend. At Mrs. Reed's request there were no ceremonies of any kind here and at Portland they will be of a simple character.

During the entire day there was a stream of sympathetic callers at the Arlington hotel, where the body of Mr. Reed lay awaiting removal to the railroad station. They included President and Mrs. Roosevelt, members of the cabinet and of the senate and house and of the diplomatic corps.

Thomas Brackett Reed was born October 18, 1839, in Portland, Me., in the common schools of which city he received his early education. In 1860 he was graduated at Bowdoin, winning one of the highest honors of the college, the prize for excellence in English composition. The next four years was spent by Mr. Reed in teaching under study of the law. Before his admission to the bar, however, he was appointed acting assistant paymaster in the United States navy, serving on the Tennessee, Cumberland and Mississippi rivers. After his discharge, in 1865, Mr. Reed returned to Portland, passed the bar and entered on the practice of his profession. Three years later he was elected as a republican to the legislature of the state of Maine. In 1869 he was re-elected to the house and in 1870 made state senator, from which position he passed to that of attorney general of the state the same year. In September, 1876, he was elected to the Forty-fifth congress of the United States. He took a conspicuous part in the proceedings of the committee appointed to investigate the election of President Hayes, of which he was one of the minority members. In the Forty-sixth congress his skill as a debater was recognized, his influence each year becoming more strongly marked. The leadership of his party was finally conceded to him and in the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth congresses the complimentary nomination to the speakership was tendered him by the republicans. In the Fifty-first congress he was elected speaker on the first ballot. In the Fifty-second congress he was re-elected speaker. In the first days of his administration of the office much opposition was made by the minority to the enforcement of what Mr. Reed believed his constitutional power to count members present in the house as participating in a vote, despite their refusal to use their privilege. A question of silence on such occasion constituting legal absence and the destruction thereby of a quorum was, however, set at rest by the adoption of new rules by the house on February 14, 1890. Mr. Reed was a candidate for the republican nomination for presi-

dent before the national convention in 1896.

THE REED OBSEQUIES.

The Body of the Ex-Speaker Laid in State at Portland, Me.—Brief Services at the Church.

Portland, Me., Dec. 9.—In the parish house of the Unitarian church last night laid the body of Hon. Thomas Brackett Reed, an honored son of Maine, for 23 years one of her chosen representatives at Washington and for six years speaker of the national house of representatives. This forenoon his friends, who include every man, woman and child in the city of Portland, were permitted to gaze for the last time upon the face which to them was ever full of life and jollity, and in the afternoon, in the main body of the church, will assemble distinguished statesmen from Washington, prominent men from New York, governors from the New England states and the most noted residents of the Pine Tree state, to honor his memory. There will be read a few passages from the Bible, a brief prayer will be said and a short eulogy delivered by the pastor, Rev. John Carroll Perkins. After the benediction is pronounced the body will be placed in the tomb at Evergreen cemetery. Such will be the funeral of ex-Speaker Reed, just as he himself wished it should be.

NO HELP FROM ROOSEVELT.

It Is Believed in Washington That the President Is Opposed to the Omnibus Statehood Bill.

Washington, Dec. 9.—President Roosevelt will in no way assist in securing the passage of the omnibus statehood bill. At the present time the president is inclined to believe that neither New Mexico nor Arizona is ready for statehood. The president talked Monday with numerous republican senators and, while he was not active in his opposition to the omnibus bill, he made it known to all callers that from the information he had gathered he believed the majority report of the senate committee on territories presented the only solution of the statehood question possible at this time.

Must Pay Policy of a Suicide.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The United States supreme court yesterday affirmed the opinion of the circuit court of appeals in the case of the Knight Templars and Masonic Life Insurance company vs. Rosa B. Jarman. The case involved the validity of the suicide statute of Missouri of 1879, providing that suicide shall not be a defense against the payment of a life insurance policy, the policy involved being upon the life of John P. Jarman, husband of Mrs. Rosa Jarman, who, while insane, took his life in Grundy county, Mo., in 1898. The de-

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Killed in a Head-on Collision.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 9.—Engineer John Plimer and brakeman Frank Smith, both of Ashabuda, were killed in a head-on collision between a passenger train and local freight on the Pennsylvania road in the western part of the city last night. None of the passengers was hurt. The local freight crew had failed to send a flag out to warn the passenger train. Brakeman Smith was phoned in the wreck and it was necessary to cut his right leg off to release him. He died shortly after being taken to the hospital.

Chief Moore Before House Committee.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The house committee on agriculture having under consideration the agricultural appropriation bill yesterday heard Prof. William T. Moore, chief of the weather bureau, on the proposed distribution of forecasts by the rural free delivery system, which he favors. It is estimated that it would cost about \$80,000 additional per year.

Butler May Break a Record.

Washington, Dec. 9.—James Butler, of St. Louis, probably will go down to history as the only man who was twice ousted from a congressional seat in one session of congress. The action of the elections committee in hurrying his case leads to the supposition that it is the intention to "railroad" Butler out of his seat.

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- 1 Foley & Williams Piano, oak case, regular price \$300, special price.....215.00
- 1 Newton Piano, oak case, regular price \$350, special price.....310.00
- 1 Newton Piano, cabinet grand, regular price \$375, special price.....325.00
- 1 Newton Piano, golden oak case, regular price \$375, special price.....325.00
- 1 Behr Bros. Piano, cabinet grand upright, walnut case, regular price \$550, special price.....450.00
- 1 Briley Piano, oak case, regular price \$325 special price.....250.00
- 1 Cable & Son Piano, walnut case, regular price \$325, special price.....280.00
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- 1 fine oak case Estey Organ, regular price \$125, special price.....95.00
- 1 fine walnut case Estey Organ, regular price \$95, special price.....75.00
- 1 fine oak case Estey Organ, regular price \$150, special price.....125.00
- 1 fine oak case Estey Organ, regular price \$110, special price.....70.00
- 1 fine mahogany case Newman Bros. Organ, regular price \$90, special price.....70.00
- 1 fine oak case Farrand Organ, regular price \$95, special price.....75.00
- 1 fine oak case Farrand Organ, regular price \$125, special price.....95.00
- 1 fine oak case Farrand Organ, regular price \$150, special price.....115.00
- 1 fine walnut case Estey Organ, regular price \$95, special price.....75.00
- 1 fine piano cased Newman Bros. Organ, regular price \$150, special price.....125.00
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